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## REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE UTILIZATION OF THE U.S. TREASURY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER SYSTEM

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Fiscal Service Bureau of Government Financial Operations

TO HEADS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES AND OTHERS CONCERNED:

- 1. Purpose. This circular establishes the policies governing the usage of the  $\overline{\text{U.S.}}$  Treasury Electronic Funds Transfer System (EFTS) for processing requests for payments and deposits submitted by Government departments and agencies.
- 2. Scope of Regulations. The regulations in this circular apply to all Government departments and agencies that require the initiation of payments or receipt of deposits affecting the Account of the U.S. Treasury by means of electronic funds transfer. These regulations do not apply to recurring payments made pursuant to 31 CFR 210.

## 3. Policy.

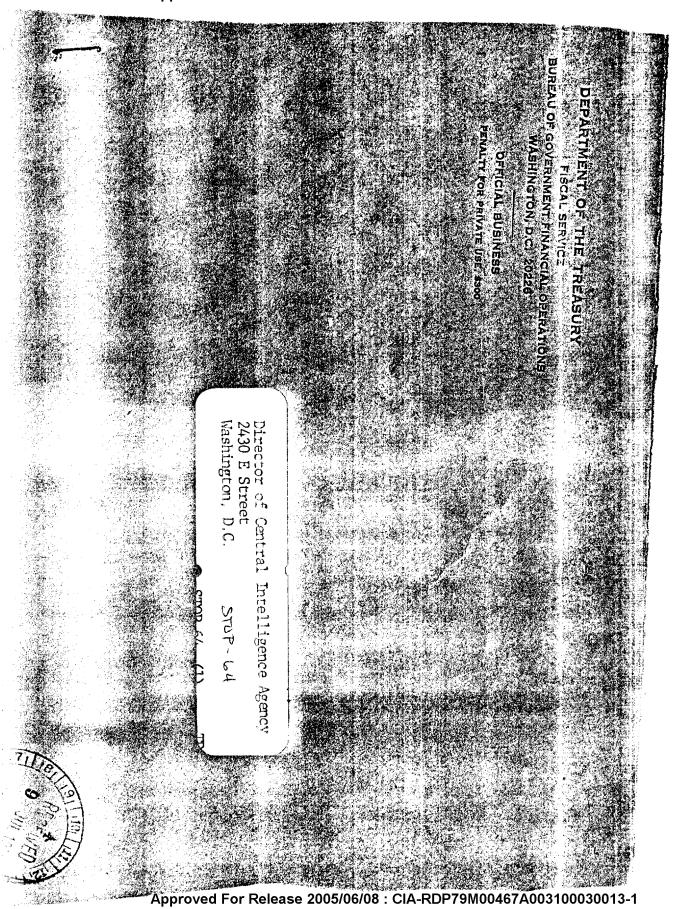
- (a) All funds transfer activity utilizing the Federal Reserve Communications System and affecting the Account of the U.S. Treasury, will be processed through the Department of the Treasury, Bureau of Government Financial Operations Electronic Funds Transfer System. No other connection to the Federal Reserve Communications System is authorized.
- (b) As an overall guideline, the Treasury EFT System will be utilized in those cases where it has been determined that it is advantageous to the Government to do so. Generally the applicability of payments and deposits to be processed over the system will be considered in terms of cash management impact relating to amount, frequency, and relative importance as to timeliness.
- (c) The following organizations of the Bureau of Government Financial Operations will coordinate efforts relating to the Treasury EFT System:
  - (1) The Assistant Commissioner, Banking and Cash Management, will be responsible for regulating the system in relation to the impact on the Treasury's cash management operations.

- (2) The Assistant Commissioner, Governmentwide Accounting, will be responsible for regulating the system in relation to the impact on the Treasury's accounting and reporting operations. This includes approving requests by authorized users of the EFT System to have collection/deposit messages switched via computer link between Treasury, and their administrative offices.
- 4. Approval. Approval by the Fiscal Assistant Secretary or his designee must be obtained before Government departments or agencies utilize the system for any particular class or type of payment or deposit. Use of the system for vendor payments will not be approved unless that method is clearly advantageous for the Government. Requests for approval should be forwarded to the Department of the Treasury, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, Assistant Commissioner, Banking and Cash Management, Washington, D. C. 20226. When it is deemed warranted, the Fiscal Assistant Secretary or his designee will require a department or agency to utilize the system for the receipt of deposits.
- 5. <u>Implementing Instructions</u>. Implementing instructions will be issued in Part IV, "Disbursing," and Part V, "Deposit Regulations," of Volume I and in Part VIII, "U.S. Treasury Electronic Funds Transfer System," of Volume II of the <u>Treasury Fiscal Requirements Manual for Guidance of Departments and Agencies</u>.

Fiscal Assistant Secretary

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